

BASKET-BALL

BOWLING

BOXING

BILLIARDS

BOOSTERS MEET
TONIGHT TO BOOM
BASEBALL TEAM

Session at Chamber of Commerce Open to All Interested in Getting Central League Berth.

At a meeting of the progressive business men and others interested in bringing back Central league baseball to South Bend to be held at the Chamber of Commerce tonight final steps will be made toward clinching the berth in the Dickinson circuit and again placing this city in a prominent place on the baseball map. The meeting tonight is not for the few but for any one in South Bend who is interested enough in the welfare of the city to show a willingness to lend his patronage to a Central league club and thus assure Ed Smith and others who are after the franchise that they will not be left to stagger along during the season without support.

The principal purpose of tonight's meeting is to determine the sentiment of the community regarding the bringing back of a baseball club. As one man stated there "will be no hold-up stunts attempted on anyone" in a financial way. All that will be asked is the support of the baseball fans during the season and particularly an effort to dispose of 5,000 tickets for the opening game.

Under the present plans a committee has been appointed from the Chamber of Commerce which will be in executive charge of the campaign for the opening. This committee will select a committee of 100 live and energetic men who will be in charge of the ticket selling campaign for the opening game. That the project will go through is practically certain if a sufficient number of interested persons appear at the meeting tonight to show that South Bend citizens really want a ball club and are willing to show this by the purchase of one ticket.

Reports have been spread over the central west that South Bend is not capable of supporting a class B baseball club. Men who know the actual conditions declare that this city while in the Central league did more than its share toward holding up the circuit while it is an acknowledged fact that South Bend was the only factor that held together the Southern Michigan league during the last two years of its existence.

E. W. Dickerson, president of the

TOURNAMENT SCORES

STUDEBAKER NO. 3.			
Braman	165	153	123
Lindahl	98	158	139
Lincoln	155	119	101
Rasmussen	134	157	150
Wolf	224	221	190
Totals	739	744	772

STUDEBAKER NO. 8.			
Gingrich	135	125	474
Ely	171	142	253
Kimble	149	102	141
Kavanaugh	148	139	157
LaPierre	101	141	416
Totals	704	677	738

STUDEBAKER NO. 4.			
Shambelin	120	113	119
Fraser	126	128	118
A. Beckelhampt	144	161	152
McVernick	155	162	127
Austin	143	170	182
Totals	701	736	701

STUDEBAKER NO. 7.			
Wittmer	145	137	126
Dutton	135	128	119
Thulens	141	139	154
Lilmer	175	203	214
Deason	140	180	478
Totals	740	747	787

K. OF C. NO. 2.			
McQuaid	160	168	148
Boyle	135	128	119
Tenney	146	157	149
Bruggner	154	158	149
Deason	162	170	180
Totals	758	811	828

STUDEBAKER NO. 10.			
W. K. Studebaker	144	160	128
McQuaid	135	128	119
Hobbs	141	145	139
Lidicker	144	127	130
W. H. Studebaker	139	145	428
Totals	712	741	729

Central league, favors South Bend strongly and is anxious to have it in the circuit this year. Other magistrates are also favorable to the city and believe that it will be the binding link between the north and south ends of the circuit. With Grand Rapids and Muskegon, South Bend and Fort Wayne, Springfield and Dayton, and Terre Haute and Evansville as individual rivals baseball men predict that the circuit will have one of the most successful seasons in 1916 in its history.

Dickerson Coming.
Prest' Dickerson, owner William Essick of the Grand Rapids club, and Owner Stalhammer of the Evansville club have notified Ed Smith that they will visit South Bend sometime Thursday. Dickerson hopes that this city will have the baseball affair settled definitely before Sunday in order that the annual meeting may be held here on that date. At the time organization for the year will be completed. Ed Smith asserted last night that with the assurance of patronage during the coming season he was ready for the word "go". Smith does not ask for any financial donations and has already made plans to secure a number of players fully capable of holding South Bend in the first division in the Central league.

NEBRASKA CAPTAIN TO
AID STEIN AT I. U.

R. B. Rutherford Held One of
Greatest Football Generals in
West—Students Elated.

Associated Press Service:
BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Jan. 5.—R. B. Rutherford, captain of the 1915 Nebraska football team and the University of Nebraska, has been employed as assistant football coach at Indiana university. Ewald O. Steinhilber of Nebraska, who comes to Indiana as director of inter-collegiate athletics, recommended Rutherford and his acceptance was received here Tuesday. Rutherford played one of the halfback positions at Nebraska and is rated as one of the greatest football generals in the west. "Jumbo" Steinhilber recommended him as the greatest athlete, in some respects, that he ever saw.

With Steinhilber and Rutherford coaching the football squads, Fred Beebe, who has just been signed to coach baseball, and Allen Willford coaching basketball, the students and alumni of Indiana feel that the state school has one of the best coaching staffs in the country.

While Steinhilber's contract with Nebraska does not expire until Sept. 1, and Rutherford is not supposed to report until Sept. 10, yet it is more than likely that one or the other will spend five or six weeks at the university this spring with the football squad.

PHILL BALL WILL BE
BROWN'S PRESIDENT

Official Announcement of Sale of St. Louis Team is Made.

International News Service:
ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 5.—Official announcement was made today of the sale of the St. Louis Browns to Phil Ball and other stockholders of the St. Louis Federal league club. Phil Ball, James W. Garneau and Otto Stifel paid \$25,000 for 800 shares of stock in the ball club and for the park and grandstands.

Robert Lee Hedges received \$500 a share for his 484 shares of stock, a total of \$242,000. John E. Bruce, C. J. McDermid of Cincinnati, and Walter Ortheim of St. Louis, were the other American league stockholders.

Ball will be president of the new Browns. Stifel and Garneau first and second vice presidents, respectively. L. B. Van Weist, secretary, and S. L. Swartz, counsel.
Fleider Jones becomes manager of the new Browns.
Branch Rickey, former manager, will be retained, probably as a scout or in the business office.

O. B. MEN WORRY
ABOUT DISPOSING
OF FED PLAYERS

None Will Admit However,
Any Danger of Break
in Peace Pact.

International News Service:
By Frank G. Menke.
CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 5.—The baseball moguls who came to town for the purpose of easing the dove of peace discovered Tuesday that somebody had dipped out a few tail feathers and made the bird somewhat opposed to confinement.

None of the magnates here will admit that there is even the remotest chance of there being a break in the pact, but all of them are worried over the big problem involved in disposing of the Federal league stars.

The national commission was of the opinion that as a result of the peace agreement, all the clubs in the major leagues would have an equal chance to bid for the services of the stars. But the Federal owners want to favor their former associates. Phil Ball, owner of the St. Louis Browns, and St. Louis Federal, feels that he ought to have first chance to grab off the Federal leaguers, and Charles Weeghman, owner of the Chicago Cubs, feels the same way.

Sinclair Silent.
It was thought that the situation would be clarified Tuesday with the arrival of Harry F. Sinclair, owner of many of the Federal league "slaves," but Sinclair positively refused to make any comment concerning the probable disposition of the players in his possession.

John K. Tener, president of the National league, when asked if he thought there was any chance of a disagreement of the peace program, said:

"I am sure everything will be smoothed out in time. This is a big matter and it will take time to handle it. I feel that this tangle over the disposition of Federal league players will be straightened out before the end of this week. The International league problem will be solved Wednesday or Thursday."

Go Into Session.
Just before the commission went into session just before noon in the Sinton hotel for the purpose of electing officers and disposing of routine business Garry Herrmann said:

"The commission will finish its regular business today. Then it will take up the Federal league matters."

Herrmann was told that James A. Gilmore, president of the defunct Federal, had said he would not be present.
"We have wired Mr. Gilmore to be here and we hope he will come," answered Herrmann. "If he does not we probably will go ahead without him. He can't dally along. We want to get these matters settled up as quickly as possible."

ATHLETICS GET NEW STAR

Lester A. Lanning of Wesleyan University Bats .400.

Associated Press Service:
MIDDLETON, Conn., Jan. 5.—Lester A. Lanning of Harvard, Ill., captain of the Wesleyan university baseball team, has signed a contract with the Philadelphia Americans, it was learned here Tuesday. He is a left-handed pitcher and batted over .400 last season. Lanning is a senior, but would be ineligible for the college nine this spring on account of scholarship troubles.

U. OF P. GETS NEW COACH.

Associated Press Service:
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 5.—Robert C. Folsell, coach of the Washington and Jefferson football squad for several years, was Tuesday selected as head coach for the University of Pennsylvania eleven for next season. His selection later was ratified by the board of directors of the athletic association.

BILLIARD RESULTS.

At Chicago—Jim Maturo defeated August Kieckhefer 50 to 36, in 72 innings.
At New York—Joseph Stone of New York was defeated by Pierre Maupome of St. Louis, 50 to 38, in 81 innings.

At Toledo—Hugh Heal of Toledo, defeated Martin Maley of Detroit, 50 to 44, in 72 innings.

At Rochester, N. Y.—Joseph Koegh of Rochester, won from William Kalthoff of Cincinnati, 50 to 39, in 86 innings.

BASKETBALL RESULTS.

At Chicago—University of Chicago, 28; Armour institute, 11. Second game, Chicago, 52; Armour institute, 3.
At Urbana—Illinois university, 24; Wabash, 16.
At Ames, Iowa—Coe college 15; Iowa state, 15.
At Chicago—St. Ignatius, 50; St. Bedes of Peru, Ill., 11.

ELKS' TOURNAMENT

ANTLERS—			
Jay	161	159	163
Single	99	134	104
Sles	158	129	133
Oison	128	127	139
Tetter	170	174	176
Handicap	132	152	152
Totals	883	905	882

FEDERALS—			
VanKirk	189	219	174
Behrger	187	154	190
Delph	148	190	217
Lucas	182	149	169
Richards	195	167	165
Handicap	89	89	207
Totals	943	933	1004

ORPHANS—			
Boiler	147	176	159
Garland	152	179	126
Hennings	159	185	174
Logrove	169	161	149
Burkart	132	173	166
Handicap	162	162	162
Totals	912	1036	956

TYLERS—			
McLurkin	135	126	147
Zoller	124	161	124
Donon	143	162	129
Handicap	108	149	169
Kies	114	131	139
Handicap	286	286	286
Totals	910	955	924

BUCKTAILS—			
Schelle	189	179	198
Holland	195	174	222
Campbell	170	225	149
Casimer	175	175	193
Bart	157	170	180
Handicap	53	53	136
Totals	963	979	969

HOOPS—			
Peterson	142	162	161
Casimer	165	141	149
Albright	165	141	149
Huber	169	188	138
Achenbach	175	175	193
Handicap	231	231	231
Totals	959	1015	931

DOUBLES.			
Dennis	177	161	170
Campbell	145	163	157
Handicap	25	25	25
Totals	347	349	352

THIRDS.			
Garland	152	164	175
Burkart	196	229	193
Handicap	70	70	70
Totals	418	463	438

FOURTHS.			
Lucas	141	122	157
Richards	178	179	164
Handicap	42	42	42
Totals	361	343	363

FIFTHS.			
Casimer	180	176	174
Huber	188	153	176
Handicap	9	9	9
Totals	377	332	359

SIXTHS.			
VanKirk	185	154	196
Behrger	202	151	225
Handicap	27	27	27
Totals	414	332	448

SEVENTHS.			
Peterson	125	164	184
Achenbach	139	147	147
Handicap	89	89	207
Totals	353	340	420

EIGHTHS.			
Albright	129	155	152
Huber	129	145	183
Handicap	77	77	77
Totals	335	377	412

NINTHS.			
Hennings	194	202	156
Cosgrove	184	206	179
Handicap	56	56	56
Totals	434	464	391

TENTHS.			
Dennis	196	176	251
Handicap	10	10	10
Totals	206	186	261

ELEVENTHS.			
Kaufman	160	128	146
Handicap	30	30	30
Totals	190	158	176

TWELFTHS.			
Campbell	180	223	179
Handicap	15	15	15
Totals	195	238	194

THIRTEENTHS.			
Casimer	237	247	224
Handicap	9	9	9
Totals	246	256	233

FOURTEENTHS.			
Bart	181	175	201
Handicap	0	0	0
Totals	181	175	201

FIFTEENTHS.			
Richards	157	158	158
Handicap	18	18	18
Totals	175	176	176

SINGLES.			
Lucas	181	158	174
Handicap	25	25	25
Totals	206	183	200

SINGLES.			
VanKirk	169	172	148
Handicap	15	15	15
Totals	184	187	163

SINGLES.			
Garland	163	158	140
Handicap	11	12	12
Totals	174	170	152

SINGLES.			
Burkart	168	193	143
Handicap	25	25	25
Totals	193	218	168

EXPECT SALE OF
CUBS TO BE MADE
WITHOUT A HITCH

Sinclair and Taft to Close
Deal Today When Wheeg-
man Arrives—Browns
Sold to Ball.

Associated Press Service:
CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 5.—According to both parties in the transaction, there is no hitch that appears serious enough to prevent the sale of the Chicago National league club by Charles P. Taft, owner of the majority of the stock, to Charles Weeghman, former president of the Chicago Federal, and Harry F. Sinclair, the Oklahoma oil magnate.

Sinclair and Taft were closed for an hour Tuesday and at the conclusion of the conference both announced that further negotiations would take place Wednesday upon the arrival of Mr. Weeghman from Chicago, and that, as far as either could now determine, there were no serious obstacles in the way of the completion of the sale.

While this conference was in progress the national baseball commission marked time and finally decided to hold no formal meeting until Wednesday morning. The members of the commission met, however, and discussed various matters that will come up Wednesday at the meeting of the joint committee appointed to settle the dispute between the Federal and International leagues, relative to the peace agreement recently signed here.

This committee will meet at noon Wednesday and, besides the Federal and International league tangle, it is expected to take up every one of the loose ends that were found dangling after the peace agreement had been signed.

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SPORT NOTES

International News Service:
BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 5.—Matt Wells of England outpointed Charley White, the Chicago lightweight, in a 12-round bout last night.

International News Service:
CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 5.—A ball team owned by the fans is the dream of the Cleveland Athletic club syndicate, which is bidding for the Indians. The syndicate plans to sell stock in \$100 shares.

International News Service:
BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Jan. 5.—The University of Indiana has signed R. B. Rutherford, captain of the 1915 Nebraska football team, as assistant coach for next fall.

International News Service:
ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 6.—Pal Moore of Memphis, Tenn., defeated Archie McLeod of Maplewood, Mo., in eight rounds.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 5.—Benny Chavez, Colorado featherweight, gained a decision over Tommy Buck of Philadelphia.

ALEX ABERG WINS AGAIN

Puts Bohemian Wrestler Down in
Eight Minutes.

International News Service:
NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Alex Aberg, Graeco-Roman wrestling champion, continues to mail his way through the title contenders at the international tournament. He forced Karl Postopol of Bohemia, to quit after eight minutes of wrestling last night. The champion immediately took on Peter Velosenzov of Russia, who astonished the crowd by holding Aberg even in a 30-minute bout. Wladek Zyzyko defeated Hjalmar Lundin, of Sweden, after a battle lasting 48 minutes and 14 seconds.

Aberg will meet the Mysterious Masked Marvel in a Graeco-Roman bout to a finish tonight.